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1. The camp is located in deciduous forest on the left bank of the DANUBE about 9 km S.E. of BRATISLAVA. It is used for summer training by the Engineer Regiment from BRATISLAVA. The camp is divided into two halves by a wire fence.

2. The camp was set up at the end of May 1954 by elements of the Engineer Regiment. Although the site of the camp was declared unsuitable due to the unhelathy, marshy nature of the ground by the Ministry of National Defense, it nevertheless had to be set up because of the pressure of a Soviet colonel, military adviser to the Engineer Regiment.

3. The camp commandant was Engineer Corps Major JERGENS.

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4. On the arrival of reservists on June 9, 1954, the camp was largely in an unfinished state. The roads to and from the camp were hardly passable due to the mud. During the whole of June, as far as training permitted, the construction of the camp continued. The paths were laid with gravel, the roads were fixed, the parade ground and the training ground arranged. Two TATRA 111 trucks and a bulldozer were used at the construction.

5. The camp has two direct telephone lines from BRATISLAVA, a switchboard and a telephone in each tent occupied by at least a company commander. A local broadcasting system is located in the tent occupied by the political officer. The system is extensively used and there is one louspeaker for each double row of tents.

6. Supplies for the mess were brought every other day from the BRATISLAVA barracks by the camp trucks; water was pumped from three wells dug up in the area of the camp.

7. The nearest civilians lived in the CAITZ forester's lodge, but the soldiers were forbidden to contact the local civilian population. Irregularly on Sundays a communal excursion to BRATISLAVA was arranged, otherwise there were no passes. The men used to leave the camp secretly in the evenings.

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Legend to the sketch # 1:

1. A field road leading to the camp KORMORAN, 4 m wide.

2. A field road leading out of the KORMORAN camp, 4 m wide.

3. KORMORAN Summer Training Camp.

4. Single barbed wire fence, about 1.5 m high, surrounding the camp and dividing it into two halves: southern for regular troops, northern for reservists.

5. Open space where SMS pontoons are stored; contains about 200 SMS pontoons and parts for Bailey bridge.

6. Mooring quay for pontoons and tugs with the following equipment moored:

   11 TATRA-111 tugboats
   4 MAYBACH tugboats
   9 KOVACS (Hungarian) reconnaissance boats
   10 assembled SMS pontoons.

7. Wooden stake fence about 1 m high surrounding the camp and the forest. There are wooden notice boards denoting military area and forbidding access into the area.

Legend to the sketch # 2:

1. Open space about 100x60 meters, suurounded on all sides by a rampart about 4 meters high built by bulldozer, training ground.

2. Camp road, laid with gravel, connecting the camp with the DANUBE.

3. Barbed wire fence, about 1.5 m high, surrounding the camp.

4. Seven double rows of tents, each row containing 17 six- or 4-sided tents, billets for 3 battalions of the Engineer Regiment. 5 men are billeted in a square tent, six men in a hexagonal tent. There were about 550 men billeted in this part of the camp.

5. Telephone switchboard in a square tent; two men are constantly ~~at~~ on duty.

6. Group of 6 round tents where the political officers are quartered.

7. Three HQ tents.

8. Cookhouse, a wooden building, about 25x6 meters.

9. Camp mess consisting of tables and benches in the open air.

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10. Dispensary, a tent 25 x 7 m. It has no equipment and serious cases are being sent to BRATISLAVA to the dispensary in SVATOPLUK barracks. The camp has at its disposal one mabulance vehicle.

11. Three hand pumps for water. Each pump has a tank for about 500 liters of water and a low tub with a tap which serves for washing.

12. An improvised shower from the middle piece of a pontoon.

13. A group of 6 oblong tents used as quarters for the Technical Coy and housing about 24 men, drivers and mechanics.

14. Open, graveled space used for parking. The following vehicles were usually parked there:

    4 TATRA-111 trucks, about 5 ton
    2 Jeeps
    1 Skoda ambulance
    1 road tank for fuel, capacity about 2,000 - 3,000 liters.
    1 mobile generator for 110 Volt supplying the whole camp with electric current.

15. Two wooden huts, about 5x5 m; both belong to the ARMA enterprise. One contains the canteen, the other one a barber's shop.

16. A group of 15 tents where reservists were quartered; there were 120 reservists billeted in this part of the camp.

17. Latrines.

18. Field track.

19. Field track.

20. The camp harbour where the tugboats are being refueled.

21. Open gravelled parade ground.

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Military Summer Training Camp "KORMORAN"

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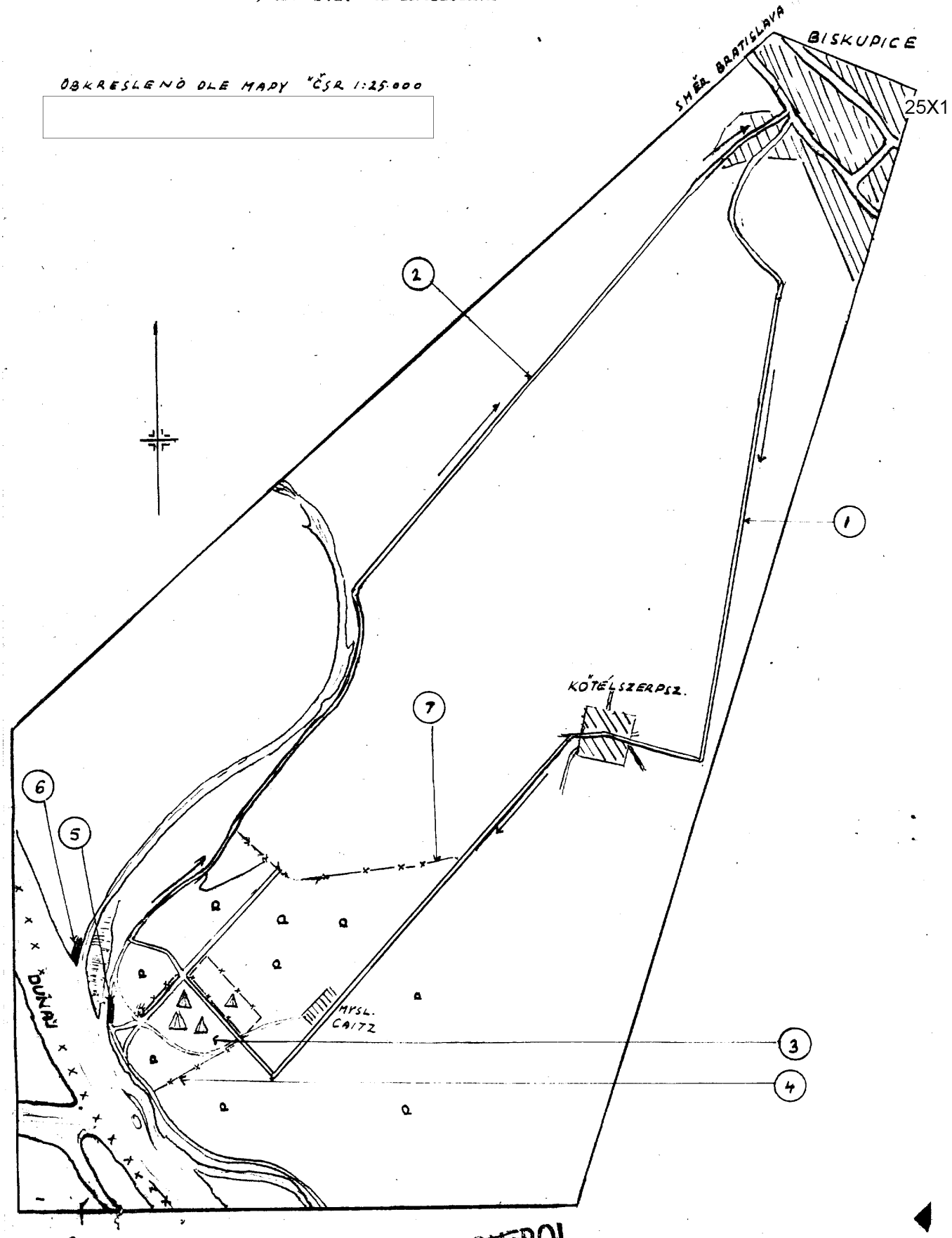

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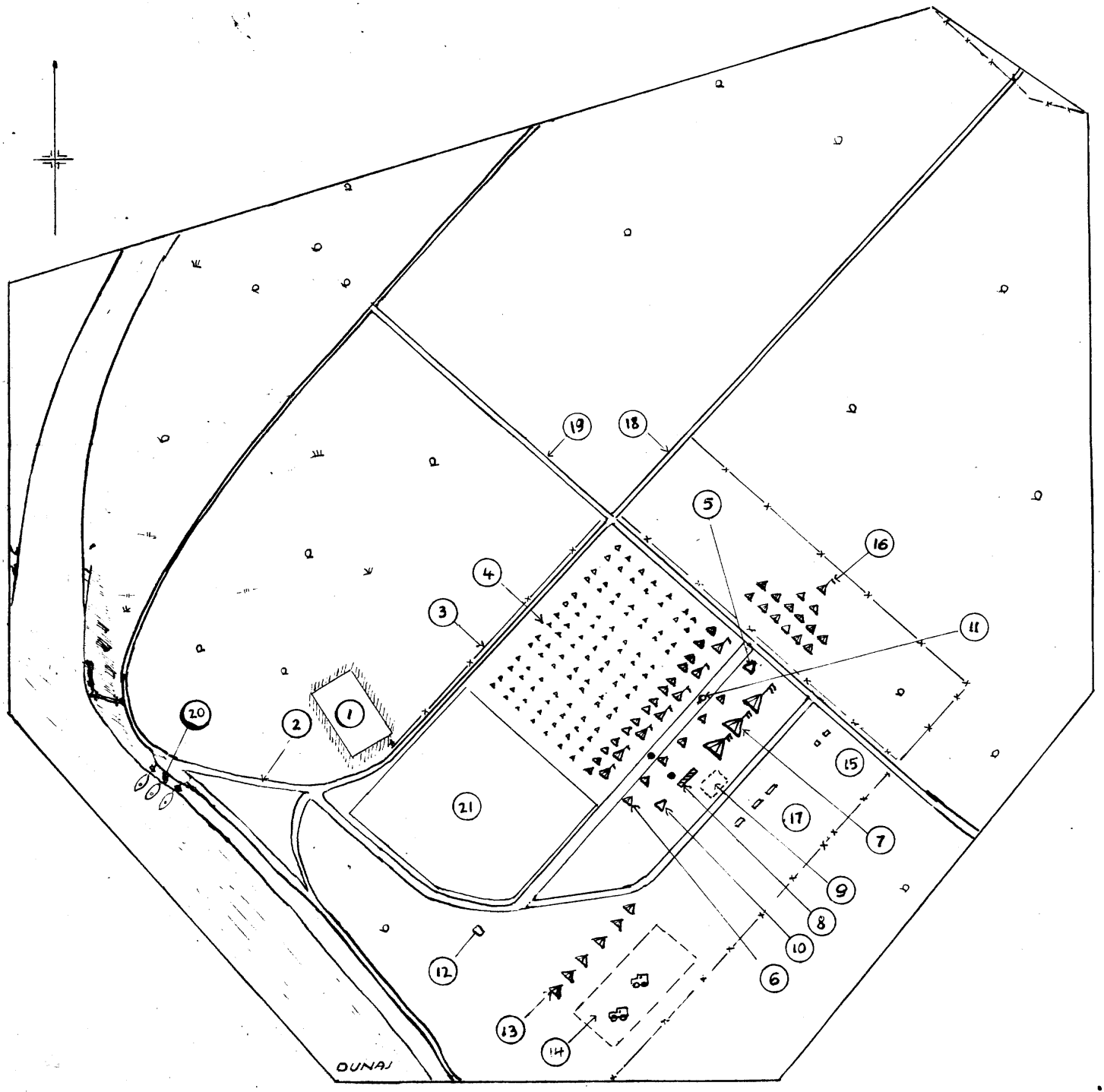

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